

**CLAIMS**

What is claimed is:

1. A universal rake-ridge cap, the universal rake-ridge cap comprising:
  - a first surface;
  - a second surface; and
  - at least one stepped arcuate surface intersecting said first surface and said second surface.
2. The universal rake-ridge cap of claim 1 wherein said at least one stepped arcuate surface consists of at least one of the following cross sections: "L", "U", "V", or "W."
3. The universal rake-ridge cap of claim 1 further comprising:
  - a first edge of said first surface, said second surface, and said at least one stepped arcuate surface;
  - a second edge of said first surface, said second surface, and said at least one stepped arcuate surface;
  - a third edge of said first surface;
  - an arcuate surface that intersects vertically with said third edge of said first surface;
  - a fourth edge of said second surface; and
  - a fifth edge of said second surface.
4. The universal rake-ridge cap of claim 3 wherein said first edge and said second edge of said first surface, said second surface, and said at least one stepped arcuate surface are cut so said at least one stepped arcuate surface of said first edge intersects tangentially with the stepped surface of a first rake member and said at least one stepped arcuate surface of said second edge intersects tangentially with the stepped surface of a second rake member.
5. The universal rake-ridge cap of claim 3 wherein said arcuate surface, when said first surface is cut so that said at least one stepped arcuate surface intersects said first rake member and said second rake member, will intersect the undersides of said first rake member and said second rake member.

6. The universal rake-ridge cap of claim 3 wherein said fourth edge of said second surface is cut to be parallel to said first rake member and said fifth edge of said second surface is cut to be parallel to said second rake member.
7. The universal rake-ridge cap of claim 3 further comprising:  
a plurality of stepped arcuate surfaces.
8. The universal rake-ridge cap of claim 7 wherein said plurality of stepped arcuate surfaces consists of at least one of the following cross sections: "L", "U", "V", or "W."
9. The universal rake-ridge cap of claim 7 wherein said first edge and said second edge of said first surface, said second surface, and said plurality of stepped arcuate surface are cut so said plurality of stepped arcuate surfaces of said first edge intersect tangentially with the plurality of stepped surfaces of said first rake member and said plurality of stepped arcuate surfaces of said second edge intersect tangentially with the plurality of stepped surfaces of said second rake member.
10. The universal rake-ridge cap of claim 1, further including a back side surface including indicia for demarking one or more guide lines for trimming.
11. A universal rake-ridge cap, the universal rake-ridge cap comprising:  
a first surface;  
a second surface;  
at least one stepped arcuate surface intersecting said first surface and said second surface;  
a first edge of said first surface, said second surface, and said at least one stepped arcuate surface;  
a second edge of said first surface, said second surface, and said at least one stepped arcuate surface;  
a third edge of said first surface;  
an arcuate surface that intersects vertically with said third edge of said first surface;  
a fourth edge of said second surface; and  
a fifth edge of said second surface.

12. The universal rake-ridge cap of claim 11 wherein said at least one stepped arcuate surface generally consists of an "L", "U", "V", or "W" shape in cross-section.
13. The universal rake-ridge cap of claim 11 wherein said first edge and said second edge of said first surface, said second surface, and said at least one stepped arcuate surface are cut so said at least one stepped arcuate surface of said first edge intersects tangentially with the stepped surface of a first rake member and said at least one stepped arcuate surface of said second edge intersects tangentially with the stepped surface of a second rake member.
14. The universal rake-ridge cap of claim 11 wherein said arcuate surface, when said first surface is cut so that said at least one stepped arcuate surface intersects said first rake member and said second rake member, will intersect the undersides of said first rake member and said second rake member.
15. The universal rake-ridge cap of claim 11 wherein said fourth edge of said second surface is cut to be parallel to said first rake member and said fifth edge of said second surface is cut to be parallel to said second rake member.
16. The universal rake-ridge cap of claim 11 further comprising:  
a plurality of stepped arcuate surfaces.
17. The universal rake-ridge cap of claim 16 wherein said plurality of stepped arcuate surfaces generally consists of "L", "U", "V", or "W" shapes in cross-section.
18. The universal rake-ridge cap of claim 11 wherein said first edge and said second edge of said first surface, said second surface, and said plurality of stepped arcuate surface are cut so said plurality of stepped arcuate surfaces of said first edge intersect tangentially with the plurality of stepped surfaces of said first rake member and said plurality of stepped arcuate surfaces of said second edge intersect tangentially with the plurality of stepped surfaces of said second rake member.

19. The universal rake-ridge cap of claim 11, further including a back side surface including indicia for demarking one or more guide line for trimming.
20. The universal rake-ridge cap of claim 19, wherein said guide line includes radially extending guide tines paired with tangentially extending guide lines.